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SUBJECT: CSCE: BREZHNEV-POMPIDOU DISCUSSIONS

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1. FRENCH CSCE DELEGATION HEAD (ANDREANI) BRIEFED NATO DELEGATION HEADS' CAUCUS MARCH 20 ON CSCE ASPECTS OF PITSUNDA MEETINGS, SAYING CSCE WAS PRIMARILY DISCUSSED BETWEEN POMPIDOU AND BREZHNEV. ANDREANI SAID FRENCH WERE IMPRESSED BY IMPORTANCE BREZHNEV ATTACHES TO
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CSCE, WHICH THEY FELT WAS "OUT OF PROPORTION, EVEN

GIVEN SOVIET POLICY ON CSCE." ANDREANI SAID SOVIETS SPOKE TWICE AS MUCH AS FRENCH ON CSCE, AND THAT PRINCIPLE POINT OF THEIR REMARKS WAS THAT THIRD PHASE SHOULD BE HELD AT SUMMIT LEVEL. (US DEL COMMENT: WE FIND IT RATHER STRANGE THAT DE COURCEL MADE NO MENTION OF THIS IN HIS REFTTEL RUNDOWN OF PITSUNDA MEETINGS.)

2. ON SPECIFICS, ANDREANI SAID BRAZHNEV AGAIN STRESSED NEED FOR A "CRYSTAL CLEAR" PRINCIPLE OF INVIOABILITY OF FRONTIERS. IDEA OF PEACEFUL CHANGE WAS NOT DISPUTED, BUT SHOULD NOT BE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IN THIS PRINCIPLE. BRAZHNEV ALSO REPORTEDLY MADE POINT THAT THERE MUST BE NO INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS IN BASKED III, BUT FRENCH NOTED THAT NON-INTERFERENCE WAS ONLY PRINCIPLE MENTIONED BY BREZHNEV IN THIS CONNECTION. BREZHNEV RIDICULED DETAIL BEING INTRODUCED BY WEST IN BASKET III, SAYING ITALIANS WERE EVEN GOING SO FAR AS TO TRY TO USE CSCE AS A MEANS TO SET UP AN ITALIAN THEATER IN MOSCOW. THE CSCE SHOULD PRODUCE AN HISTORIC DOCUMENT WHICH WOULD BE SIGNED AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL.

3. ANDREANI SAID SOVIETS COMPLAINED ABOUT WESTERN POSITION ON CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES (CBM'S), SAYING THEY WERE BEING ASKED TO NOTIFY EVEN SMALL MOVEMENTS AND MANEUVERS ALL THE WAY TO THE URALS.

4. ON LEVEL OF THIRD PHASE, ANDREANI SAID IT IS WELL KNOWN FROM PRESS REPORTS THAT FRANCE HAS NOT CHANGED ITS POSITION, DESPITE SOVIET PRESSURES. DECISION ON LEVEL OF THIRD PHASE REMAINS LINKED TO CSCE RESULTS. ANDREANI ALSO SAID SOVIETS TOUCHED ON CSCE FOLLOW-UP, BUT WITHOUT INSISTENCE.

5. ANDREANI SAID GROMYKO COMPLAINED ABOUT DUTCH FRAMEWORK PAPER IN CONVERSATION WITH JOBERT, WHO WAS NOT FULLY INFORMED ON THIS SUBJECT AND COULD NOT REPLY. (USDEL COMMENT: DUTCH DRAFT FRAMEWORK PAPER, WHICH PROPOSES SIGNATURE OF FULL FINAL CSCE DOCUMENT, CONTRADICTS SOVIET VIEW THAT ONLY LIST OF CSCE PRINCIPLES SHOULD BE SIGNED. SOVIETS HAVE NOT YET FORMALLY PRESENTED

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THEIR IDEAS ON THIS, BUT WE HAVE IMPRESSION THAT MOST WESTERN AND NEUTRAL DELEGATIONS WILL NOT REPEAT NOT AGREE TO SIGNATURE ON PRINCIPLES ONLY. DALE

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